

## **News Release**

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Riverside Fire Department Announces Emergency Preparedness Fair – Sept 27 "A Time to Remember. A Time to Prepare"

**Riverside, California** – The Riverside Fire Department is hosting a "**Ready Riverside Emergency Preparedness Fair**" on Tuesday, September 27 in front of Riverside City Hall, 3900 Main Street from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. as part of National Preparedness Month.

September is National Preparedness Month (NPM), a nationwide, coordinated effort sponsored by the *Ready* Campaign and Citizen Corps. NPM was founded after 9/11 to increase preparedness in the U.S. The event, now in its eighth year, is a nationwide, monthlong effort to encourage households, businesses and communities to prepare and plan for emergencies. In recognition of the 10th Anniversary of the attacks of September 11th, this year's NPM theme is "A Time to Remember. A Time to Prepare."

The "Ready Riverside Emergency Preparedness Fair" will include displays and information from Emergency Community Resources such as the Riverside Fire and Police Departments, American Medical Response, CERT, 311 Call Center, Riverside County RACES Communications, Fuel Relief Fund, American Red Cross, The Gas Company, Riverside Community Health Foundation, and Simpler Life Emergency Provisions, Inc.

As reported too often in the news -- disasters and emergencies do happen. Participants can expect to learn how to be ready for emergencies or disasters that could happen in our community, and how to sustain yourself and your family until help arrives.

Preparedness is everyone's responsibility; it takes a whole community. **HOW READY ARE YOU?** 

- ✓ Get a Kit
- ✓ Make a Plan
- ✓ Be Informed

For more information on Emergency Preparedness, visit: <a href="www.readyriverside.com">www.readyriverside.com</a> or call (951) 320-8100.